

59. (Original) An isolated peptide consisting of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO. 1.

60. (New) A composition comprising the peptide of Claim 58 and a carrier.

61. (New) A composition comprising the peptide of Claim 59 and a carrier.

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REMARKS

Claims 58-61 are presently pending in this application, with Claims 58 and 59 being independent. New Claims 60 and 61 have been added to provide additional coverage for the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO.1. Applicants submit that no new matter has been added by the amendments.

Applicants wish to express their appreciation for the courtesies extended to Applicants' representatives during the personal interview held on April 10, 2003. During the interview, the Rule 132 Declaration filed on April 2, 2003 as well as claims pending at the time were discussed. It was agreed that Applicants will submit a Supplemental Declaration to clarify the description shown in Paragraph 5 of the April 2, 2003 Declaration, and a Supplemental Preliminary Amendment to present additional composition claims. Accordingly, Applicants submit herewith a Supplemental Declaration of Professor Gustav Gaudernack to clarify the test results described in the April 2, 2003 Declaration. By this amendment, Applicants have added new composition Claims 60 and 61.

In view of the above amendment and remarks, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance, and such disposition is earnestly solicited.